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SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S VISIT TO BERLIN: SOVIET DEMARCHE TO FONMIN
GENSCHER

REF: (A) BONN 8041; (B) BERLIN 5712 (C) BERLIN 5669

1. IN THE ACCOUNT OF THE MEETING ON MAY 14 BETWEEN SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO THE GDR ABRASIMOV AND GAUS, HEAD OF THE FRG PERMANENT REPRESENTATION IN EAST BERLIN, GIVEN THE EMBASSY BY VON RICHTHOFEN (REF B) NO MENTION WAS MADE OF THE MESSAGE ABRASIMOV ASKED GAUS TO CONVEY TO THE CHANCELLOR. THIS IS PROPER. WE NOTE AGAIN THE URGENCY WITH WHICH THE SOVIETS SOUGHT TO SCHEDULE GAUS'S RETURN CALL (REF B), AND ABRASIMOV'S EARLIER REMARK THAT THE QA "HAS IN SOME WAYS BEEN A SIX-POWER AGREEMENT" (REF C).

2. THE ONLY THING WE CAN ADD IS THAT ON MAY 15, AT AN EMBASSY FILM PARTY, HEAD OF THE USA DIVISION OF THE MFA GEYER MADE A POINT OF TELLING DCM, AMONG OTHER MATTERS, THAT HIS GOVERNMENT "REGRETTED" THAT FRG FONMIN GENSCHER WOULD BE ACCOMPANYING SECSTATE TO BERLIN ON THE BASIS THAT THIS (SOMEHOW) WOULD BE INCOMPATIBLE WITH THE GDR'S VIEW OF THE
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